Serio-Comic Qualities of Interest in "Castic Sambras," Broad Parcicality in "The Gay Mr. Lightfoot," and Nothing at All in "The Flower of a Day," Richard, Mansfield made one of his dramatic experiments at the Garden Theatre last night. These exploits are often odd and risky. They oftener encounter failure than success, but they are usually fine in an artistic intention, and always interesting to close ob-servers of the stage. In the present instance, the audience dispersed in doubt about the play it had witnessed. Had the queer affair been selously meant? Or had its intention been satirical? The new play of such dubi-ous purport may be safely classed as a serio-comic melodrama. Mr. Mansfield had announced it as a romantic comedy. It bore the title of "Castle Sombras." The author, H. Greenough Smith, an English magazine editor and story writer, had made an earnest dramatic effort in the wake of Anthony Hope and Stanley Weyman. The Sombras of the title was a Sir Knight in the time of Charles I. in England, and his Castle was a stronghold which the King sent a military force to capture. In the castle was Thurst, a ward of Sombras, and he loved her profoundly, but she had no heart for him, because it had been given to Hilary Darr, the leader of the besteging army. Such were the conditions raised by Mr. Smith for his melodramatic purpose. In dealing with them, he had endeavored to be ingenious, cunning, even tricky in his surprises. These inventions of Mr. Smith were more than surprising. They were dazing. They were dumfounding. That was why the audience, unable to accept them without reserve

as sober matters, took refuse in merriment.

The wital question when Mr. Mansfield produces a play is whether it contains a strong and singular character for him to enact. Some of the pieces in his repertory are popular through that one merit. No doubt he believed, or at least hoped, that he had discovered such a valuable rôle in Sir John Sombras. This personage was a man of sinister aspect, descent and repute. His ancestors had been malevolent fellows, and he himself was hated and feared for his crimes. But in this affair of love, after letting the audience suppose for awhile that he intended to force the maiden into hateful wedlock, and kill ner lover, and would be thwarted in his foul purpose only at the very end of the play, he soon began to raise suspicions against the genuineness of his villainy. These doubts developed slowly into belief that he was a false pretender in scoundrelism, until at the last he openly revealed himself a good-hearted man by joining the hands of the scared and desperate young couple. Of course it was upon

desperate young couple. Of course it was upon this contrariety between appearances and the truth as to the man's nature that the actor hair relied for a triumph in novelty. But he had been mistaken in his judgment. It proved disastrous to fool the audience. The resentment took the form of derision.

The movement in Mr. Smith's excellently worded play was made by means of a dice game to see which of the girl's lovers should lose his life; by an open trapdoor, through which the favored suitor was almost compelled to drop into a stream far below; by a blindfold duel with daggers, in which desperate play at hoodman blind the maiden was the third factor, and by other equally theatric and equally futile melodramatic extravagances. The step from the sublime to the ridiculous is shorter on the stage than anywhere else. A few strokes of the pen, a slight change in the manner of the acting, will turn a tragedy into a travesty. "Castle Sombras" hardly needed a touch of burlesque to make its first audience laugh at it steadily, instead of intermittently. Nevertheless, it was a composition to be rated as fair literature. It would read pretty well in a book. It is no discredit to Mr. Mansfield that he was misled as to its suitability for the stage.

A farce called "The Gay Mr. Lightfoot" was

A farce called "The Gay Mr. Lightfoot" w. acted last night at the Bilou Theatre, for the first time in this city, and achieved rather a poley failure. It is dublous if any pub-lo would have been much amused by the dumor which its two authors put into this piece. Certainly in this year of grace no New Yorkers could be expected to laugh at it. One of its particular elements of weakness lay in the fact that its scenes were supposed to be laid in this city and in a fashionable hotel, when, as a matter of fact, the boys in the back row of the gallery knew perfectly well that neither the people nor their actions would be tolerated in a Raines law hotel by the most liberal-minded proprietor who ever kept such a hostelry. Farce is never necessarily exempt from exaggeration or extravagance, but its ef fects are always aided by some element of seeming probability. There was nothing of this kind about "The Gay Mr. Lightfoot."

ithout prolonging the inquest unduly, time might be taken to say that the principal figure in the play was a man who sent his wife out of town during the summer and re-mained at home to enjoy himself. This purpose he aided by putting on a blond wig and a long false mu-tache, which is one of the things gay New York men inis one of the things gay New York men invariably do in the summer time when their wives are away. There were other incidents in the play that persist in clinging to the memory. An Indian sot drunk and went to sleep in a baby's cradle; an old maid entrapped the wrong man into marriage; the gay husband put on an apport and made a punch for no apparent reason in the middle of the stage, and at about 5:50 the Indian, drunk again, pulled off the false mustache and wir. These were some of the mile posts that marked the progress of the farce. W. H. Thompson and one or two other actors of reputation were concerned in the performance. But they did not liluminate its mechanical, threadbare incidents, or relieve the sellum of its badly written speches. The autedium of its badly written speeches. The au-thors of the play were Messrs. De Lange and

Getting his work before the unblic has lower been considered the most disheartening difficulty of the dramatist's career, and various expedients to overcome it have been tried from time to time. The latest is provided by the Colonial Stock Company, which is prepared with the Berkeley Lyceum to give to authors whatever satisfaction there may be for them in seeing their plays acted by amateurs on the Berkeley's stage. While the plays may be thus performed, audiences may refue to come, But that drawback is unluckily an incident is every form of theatrical emerprise. The author's difficulty in getting his play acted is nothing compared to the struggle of zetting along without audiences. No manager has ever succeeded in eliminating the audience as an element of success. Evidently they are most necessary. On Tuesday night several inconspicuous white men and women, two negroes, a baby, and a black French poodle were in the assemblage at the Berkeley to witness a play by Maurice Elier, called "The Flower of a Day. The works entrusted to the Colonial company for exploitation, it will be seen, reach a diverse if not numerous public. The French poodle stayed barely through the opening scene. But although the drama was French, nothing could have been gained for the dramatist even if he had remained to the end. Moliere read his plays to his cook, but shaven poodles are not the species on which plays are usually artist. The baby stayed to the end, and had apparently suffered no strain on his youthful nervous system when the curtain fell. Several individuals of seemingly robust constitution possessed in reality less stamina, and were seen to depart in regular battailons whenever the curtain fell. The battailons, of course, were small, as the curtain fell three times, and there were persons visible at various points in the theatre as late as \$4.45. The works entrusted to the Colonial company

persons visible at various points in the theatre as late as 9:45.

"The Flower of a Day" has not yet acquired the hardiness that alone could justify its exposure to a cold world. It needs to go hack into the st-amed air again and see what will happen after it has been under the glass roofs for a little longer time. Perhaps if it was unosteniationaly allowed to wither and nothing more said about it. Mr. Eller would be best satisfied a year or two from now. He will, at all events, be then grateful to the persons who were not able to tell which was the less adapted to the stage. "The Flower of a Day," or the misscuided young people who appeared in it. But the Colonial Stock Company, which includes Marie Floyd Barrymore, will soon be a highly esteemed institution if it stands between the public and such plays as "The Flower of a Day," The old stock system was praised, and it sometimes brought pretty had plays on to the stage. Think of a centur, end variation of tha, old system which disclining the public specif to keeping the bad pieces from reaching the public eye.

Fanny Davenport Too In to Act. Fanty Davenbort was too iil to appear in Cleopatra" at the American Theatre last night, and the house was closed. Her manager said that she would appear to night.

THE OPERA. Lucia" and "Cavalleria" Presented s the Metropolitan

For the first time this season a double bill was presented to the Metropolitan audience—one familiar, it is true, from frequent repetitions during former seasons, but one of the most desirable also, both regarded as single operas and from their excellent contrasting qualities when set together, "Lucia" and "Cavalleria," they are like blonde and brunette, like light and shadow, and they give us the world's two greatest prime donne at their very best. Our audiences seem always well pleased to be allowed to concentrate their interest on one particular singer during any performance-a hing they are especially justified in doing in the two operas above mentioned, for the reason that Melba and Calvé are both absolutely flawless in their rôles. Last night furnished memorable example of perfect work from both

these artists. Melba's voice was softer, vicher, more mellow and fuller of warm color than ever before, while it lost none of its youthful charm nor of its brilliancy. As has been hinted hereicfore, it is an error from the artistic point of view to leave out the beautiful last act of "Lucia" but under circumstances such as environed the tenor role last evening such a breach is pardonable, if not indeed necessary. Signor Ceppi was an utterly incapable and entirely ineffective Edgardo. Cremonini filled his role of Turiddu very

Cremonini filled his rôle of Turiddu very much more admirably, acting and singing up to the highest level of his best capabilities, finding evidently in the part one more than critinarily congenial to him.

It seemed long ago that Mme. Calvé's lifelike impersonation of the lovely touching character Santuza could in no trifle or chade be improved. Yet Calvé, thoughtful, brainy, clever artist that she is, has contrived to put here and there a bit of added subtle meaning which deepens the worth of her presentation and makes it newly interesting to those who are familiar with every word or gesture. In "Lucia" the only peer of Melba was Campanari, whose agreeable voice is welcome always, in every phrase. None of the same criticism may be made upon "Cavalieria," if we except Cremonini and Bauermeister.

In neither opera was Signor Bevignani's conducting better than mediocre. He hurries tempi in a most heartless, unsympathetic, way, and gains but the smallest amount of shading of plane and forte possible to be accumulated. As for clasticity of time there is not any.

with a large diamond ornament, presented by the bridegroom, in the frillings on the corsag-A bandeau of orange blossoms secured the tulie veil, and the boughet carried was composed of lilles of the valley.

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Miss Mattle Town-end, the maid of honor, wore a costume of white satin with crepéde chine, and tulie picture hat with feathers. The bridesmaids were similarly arrayed, but in rose color. They were Miss Florence Lynch, Miss Jennie McMann, Miss Margaret Hover, and Miss Gertrude St. Clair, J. Frank James, Jr., attended his brother as best man, and William Betts, a cousin of the bride; George Roach, her incle; Edward Wagner, Carl Schiatter, William Stillweil, Jr., and Andrew Murry were the usiers. A reception followed the church ceremony at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Florian Betts, 68 East 124th street.

Mens-Bischoff. Miss Louise Amelia Bischoff and James Shel ton Meng were married yesterday at noon. The bride is the only daughter of Justice Henry Bischoff, Jr., of the Supreme Court. The ceremony was performed at his residence, 19 West Ninety-sixth street, by the Rev. Richard Cobden of St. Mark's Protestant Episcopal hurch, and the bride was given away by father. The drawing room was trimmed with father. The drawing room was trimmed with white roses, carnations, smilax, and palms. The bride was attired in white satin, with point lace, diamond ornaments, and orange blossoms. Seidl's orcnestra played the appropriate marital music during the ceremony and reception. An elaborate bridal break fast was served. Mr. Meng is a son or Judge J. S. Mong of Vidalia, La. He is a graduate of the Mississippi State College and a chemist.

Miss Lucy Cary Morse, daughter of Prof. M. Morse of 171 West Seventy-third street, was married to George Oliver Wales of Boston at the Lenox Avenue Unitarian Church last night at 8 o'clock, in the presence of about 100 guests. The Rev. Merle St. Croix Wright, pastor of the The Rev. Merle St. Croix Wright, pastor of the clurch, officiated. The bride was dressed in white satin and wore a circle of diamonds, the gift of the groom. She carried a large bunch of lities of the varley. Edith Morse, 4 years old, was the only bridesmaid. She carried a bunch of pule piuk rose. The ushers were Edward Lee Young of New York, Dr. Safford G. Perry of New Jersey, Dr. Benjamin Sharpe of Philadelphia, James M. Westz, and Hagen Morse, Mr. Ernost Walles of Boston, and of the bridegroom, was the best man.

ganize a Society. Former residents of Steuben county, N. Y., now citizens of New York city and its vicinity, formally organized the Steuben Society last evening, and celebrated the event with a ban-quet at the Hotel Manhattan. About seventy-five members of this new society were present. Judge William Rumsey presided and made the leading stidress. Speeches were made by the iton, Charles D. Baker, Edward Hassett, John W. Mack, the Hon, John D. Kernau, Col. James H. Jones, Capt. W. S. Burns, George R. Sutherland, Judge L. N. Manly, Ira G. Darrin, and others.

Previous to the banquet the following solice. evening, and celebrated the event with a ban-Previous to the banquet the following officers

were elected: the Hon. Wm. Rumsey, President: Chas. R. Maitiv. Geo. D. Sproul, Collames E. Jones, Withort W. Capron, C. Hodgman, and Avery McDougal, Vice-Presidents; the Hon. George E. Sutherland, Treasurer, and Thomas Hassett, Secretary.

# Cay. Elect Black's Stuff Organizes.

Gov.-elect Black's military staff met at the Hotel Waldorf yesterday afternoon and organized with Adjutant-General Tillinghast as Chairman, Ame Harrism E. Mooro as Secre-tary, and Gen. Howard Carroll as Treasurer.

O'l'errait Declines a Boston Invitation. RICHMOND, Va., Dec. 10. Gov. O'Ferrall has declined an invitation to address the Young Men's Democratic Club of Hoston on Dec. 21.

HER IMPREGNABLE TOMB.

MRS, JOHNSON'S LAST PRECAUTION

Her Last Line of Defence Completed a Yantic Cemetery in Norwich-A Derrick Will Be Needed to Open the Vault for Her Body and to Close It Again. NURWICH, Dec. 16. The most elaborate grave the Nutmer State, perhaps in New England, has just been completed in Yantic Cem

etery, in this city, for Mrs. Mary T. Johnson, recently of Norwich, but now of Chicago.

Mrs. Johnson is rich. She is haunted by the fear that, after her death, her tomb may be invaded and despoiled by body snatchers. Hence she decided to prepare and fortify her tomb that any attempt of the kind would be folled. Some years ago she purchased the most spaclous and precious lot in the cemetery here and with the aid of a corps of skilled workmen constructed a grave that was a master piece, seemingly impregnable, of semilabral handlwork. Its floor and lid were scamless slabs of stone, and its massive side walls of cemented bricks. It seemed as if it were capable of resisting a prolonged assault from the most determined vault robbers. Not long ago, however, tormented by a recurrence of her morbid dread of ghouls, Mrs. Johnson vigorously applied herself to the task of recon structing the grave. Fearing lest her hus band, a rich ranch owner and manufacturer. or her sons, with whom her relations are neither cordial nor confidential, might interfere with her purpose, she carried on the work stealthily. and they knew nothing about it until after it had been completed.

One morning a little army of expert artisans, with pickaxes, spades, shovels, trowels, chisels, bars, hoes, and a large derrick, moved into Yantic Cemetery, and encamped on and about Mrs. Mary T. Johnson's burial lot. They tolled uninterruptedly for several weeks, and the carrious neighbors, about the rustic come. tery peered daily from upstairs chamber win dows, through half-closed shutters, above the graveyard wall at the busy workmen, and wondered "what on airth Missls Mary John-son was up to now." They were acquainted

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in the Supreme Court, Brooklyn, yesterday, allowed the plaintiff \$3 a week alimony and \$20 counsel fee. Mrs. Stafford is a daughter of the political speaker, and real estate owner. Mrs. stafford alleges that her husband attempted to strangle her. He is, she says, an athlete, and a man of tine muscular development. compelled to do dressmaking owing to the fact that he refuses to support her, although he earns \$25 a week and wears expensive clothing The defendant denies the allegations, and says that his wife has fits of fury, and has says that his wite has his or tory, and has threatened him on more than one occasion. He says she owns a house which her father gave to them jointly, but that he conveyed to her his share. The defendant says he received this let-ter from his wife in December, 1884:

Mrs. Stafford says the house her husband re-fers to was sold under foreclosure proceedings and a judgment of deficiency entered.

Where Knocks Got Worthless Checks,

At the trial of Charles H. Knoche, charged with passing worthless checks, Assistant District Attorney Osborne yesterday produced twenty checks, ranging from \$5 to \$60, which it is claimed Knoche had cashed. Evidence was Knoche, who is 61 years old, took the witness

knoche, who is 61 years old, took the witness stand in his own behalf. He said he lived at 1077 Second avenue, and had a mineral water business at 50 Park place. The checks, he said, he got in the course of business from a man named Newman. He didn't know where Newman could be found. On cross-examination he admitted having passed checks in 1804 similar to those he had passed a few months ago.

Tried to Shoot an Elevated Road Porter Charles S. Early, an engineer of Summit, N. I., while drunk yesterday, drew a revolver on the station of the Ninth avenue elevated railway at Greenwich and Christopher streets and tried to shoot Robert Willie, the negro porter. He was locked up in the Charles atreet police station. On the way to the station he said he was a Southerner and that "they killed niggers where he came from."

88 500 for Frank Burkitt's Death. John Burkitt of 198 Leonard street, Brookyn, sued R. H. Macy & Co. for \$20,000 for the death of his son Frank, who was run over and killed by a wagon owned by the defendants. jury in the Supreme Court, before Justice Clement, gave the plaintiff a verdict yesterday for \$3,500.

Gen. McAlpin's Closing Review. Adjutant-tieneral E. A. McAlpin will review the Thirteenth Regiment in the Summer avenue armory in Brookish on Dec. 30, and at the close of the ceremonies a reception will be tendered to him. It will be his farewell appearance as head of the State National Guard.

LIFE TOPICS ABOUT TOWN.

"Tire Sun's story of the man and woman who were crushed in a folding bed in Brooklyn suggests to me the fact that the Supreme Court of California has rendered an interesting decision in a suit for damages that grew out of s similar accident recently," said a lawyer yes-"I'robably the facts in the case tercay. interest every one who has slept in a folding bed. The a cident occurred in San Francisco. A folding bed closed up unexpectedly and broke the arm of Miss Grace E. Lewis, who was sleeping in it. She brought suit for damages against the firm that had sold her the bed. The suit was demurred out of court, on the ground that the complaint did not state facts enough to constitute a cause of action. The Supreme Court reversed the lower court not long ago, and remanded the case, with instructions to overrule the demurrer and allow the case to proceed to trial. The Supreme Court said among other things: 'If a tradesman sells or furnishes for use an article actually unsound and dangerous, but which he be-Haves to be safe and warrants accordingly, he is not liable for injuries resulting from its defective or unsafe condition to a person who was neither a party to the contract with him nor one for whose benefit the contract was made. But when the seller, as in the case made by the complainant before us, represents the article to be safe for the uses it was designed to serve, when he knows it to be dangerous because of concealed defects, he commits a wrong independent of his contract, and brings himself within the operation of a principle of the law of tort. The fact insisted upon by the respondent that a bed is not ordinarily a dangerous instrumentality, is of no moment in this case. If mere malfeasance, or perhaps misceasance, were the extent of the wrong charged against defeadants, then that consideration would be important; but the fact that such articles are in general not dangerous would seem to enhance the wrong of representing one to be safe for use when known to be really unsafe, for the danger is thus rendered more insidious." is not liable for injuries resulting from its During the last campaign a candidate for

Assembly in one of the down-town east side districts protested because the man who was ranning his campaign demanded an unusually large sum for expenses on the ground that he must have circulars printed in eleven different languages to reach all of the voters in his district. It is believed, from the result, that the cand date was hoaxed by his manager. It is a fact, however, that in several of the cast side districts political circulars must be printed in several languages if they are to be understood by the voters. One of the new colonies that have increased rapidly is that of the Greeks, and their importance as political factors has been recognized by at least two leaders, Dan Finn and Jerry Kennefick of the First district, who are credited with enough Greek to make themselves solid with the Athenians who live in their district. Mr. Finn and Mr. Ksnnefluk have devoted themselves to colloquial Greek, as it is known in lower Washington street, and they have neglected the Greek poets. The Greek colony centres in Washington street, but the late comers were unable to find quarters there, and they have reductantly invaded Madison street and other Fourth Assembly thoroughtares. Most of these Greek immigrants set into business as venders of fruit or candy within a week after their arrival in this city, and they flourish. In a street that branches off from Park row, between the bridge and Chatham square, there is a Greek restaurant where many of the meetings of the colony are held. Greek signs cover the walls, each telling of some special dish with its price. From a political point of view, however, it would be time wasted for ambitious down-town leaders to spend time learning Greek that they may talk traff or civil service reform to these men in their own tongue, because the records show that a very small proportion of them become citizens. to make themselves solld with the Athenians

President Theodore Roosevelt of the Police Board was asked by a SUN reporter the other afternoon if he could tell the origin of the title "cops," or "coppers," as applied to mem-bers of the New York police force.

"I was thinking of that very question the other day," he said with a smile, "but I have never been able to find out where the name came from, although I understand that it is

came from, although I understand that it is imported from England, and that the London police have been called coppers as well as bot-bles; but why, I do not know."

"I have been told," said Commissioner Andrew D. Parker, "on the authority of old policemen, that the term came into use from the custom of the old policemen many years ago of wearing copper badges and a copper ornament on their hats. I suppose, however, the question will remain as much of a mystery as that other police coundrum, which has never been answered to my knowledge. Why do station houses have green lights?"

"Away back in 1867, 'said Acting Inspector Allaire, 'when old Fernando Wood was Mayor, the police used to wear a big couper star'on the left breast of their coats. It is very probable that the term now in use gree out of this faut, but at the same time I have been told that it was imported from England."

Down on Cherry Hill, near Roosevelt street, there is an old-fashioned gable roof house with walls that are over two feet thick, and a small back yard paved with cobbles, that is supposed to have been erected about 1700 for an officer in the British army, Jen. Latham. Cherry It Appears in the Soil of Lorena M. Stafford for a Separation.

Mrs. Lorena M. Stafford is suing Arthur A. Stafford for a separation, and Justice Osborne in the Supreme Court, Brooklyn, yesterday, al. flill has degenerated much since that day,

A young woman who had been making a tour of the shopping district and was standing on Rev. Dr. A. Stewart Walsh, Baptist minister, the sidewalk at Brondway and Twentleth street, waiting for a car, had an unpleasant experience with an audacious thief the other day. As she stood on the curb, purie in hand, an She is exceedingly well-dressed young man approached her, and seizing both her hands, exclaimed; "Why, how do you do, Miss Black, I am charmed to meet you. So unexpected, you

know.

The young woman saw at once that the stranger must have made a mistake, that he had taken her for some one he knew very well; but he had evidently discovered this fact, too, before she had time to get in a word, and the next instant he bowed low, took off his shinnext instant he bowed low, took off his shin-ing tall bat, and said:
"I beg voor pardon; I have made a mistake, a stupid mistake."
"I'll bowing, he replaced his hat, and, turn-ing, way, locarded a car bound down town.
"Saturativ, the young woman was annoyed and somewhat embarassed by the incident. When she regained her composure, she made the startling discovery that her purse was gone.

One of the old-time booksellers of New York and one of the most interesting of the old cititens of the city, is David G. Francis. Mr. Francis will be remembered by old New York ers away back in the thirties. His store was frequented by many men who afterward be came famous in literature, William Cullen Bryant, Poe, Willis, William Henry Hurlbert, and Hailerk among others. It used to be the fashion among them to so in and sit around the store and settle the fate of the nation. Mr. Francis has retired from the business now, though the old store continues under his name. He lives quietly, and is one o' the habitudes of the Union Leaviet Club. He is a tail and stately man. He carries himself remarkably straight, straighter than most men thirty years his junior. His hair and beard are slow white. He is as full of the reminiscences of the old days as a nut is of ment, but it is seldow that he taiks of them. He frequently visits his old store and rowls around among the books after the fashion of every bookworm, and he gets enjoyment a-plenty out of it. Bryant, Poe. Willis, William Henry Hurlbert,

A Boy Accidentally Shot Bend by Another. SOMERVILLE, N. J., Dec. 16.- Herbert Hayes, the 12-year-old sun of the Rev. R. F. Hayes of East Millstone, was killed this af ernoon by the accidental discharge of a rifle in the hands of his companion, Willie Swinson. The boys were shooting at a target and when young Hayes was about to approach the target the Flobert rifle which Swinson was reloading was accidentally discharged and the ball penetrated Hayes's body. It is believed to have passed through his heart, as he drouped to the ground and expired almost instantly. Fainson is the son of Conductor Swinson of the Millistone branch of the Pennsylvania Kahrand. The Rev. Mr. Hayes is a member of the Methedist Episcopal Conference of Newark and his been stationed at Millistone for two years. County Physician Wagoner will hold an inquest at 8 o'clock to morrow morning. shooting at a target and when young Hayes was

Sentenced for Perjury in the Pearl Bryan NEWPORT, Ky., Dec. 16. - William Traste and

John Seward, convicted of false swearing in the Pearl Bryan murder case, were sentenced yester-day to one and two years respectively in the day to one and two ye Kentucky penitentiary.

SENT HOME IN DISGRACE.

PRIVATE PETE BUILS, U. S. A., OR-DERED BACK TO PLATTSBURGH. He Is Made to Rejoin His Regiment After a Few Giorious Days at Governor's Island Just Because He Innocently " Took a Fall Out of" an Ordnance Officer.

Private Pete Butts, U. S. A., has been ordered to rejoin his regiment, the Twenty-first Infantry, stationed at Plattsburgh. Private Pete Butts is described accurately if not elegantly as a big slob. The officers of the regular army, who are inclined to look down on customs officers, say he is half way between a customs officer and an Irish setter. With due respect to Pete it may be said he looks it. He was intended for a bulldog. At least Lieut. E. L. Butts of the Twenty-first Infantry was assured that Pete would be one when he bought him for the sum of \$3. Whether it was his bringing up or what, he didn't turn out to be a bulldog when he grew up. Pete was enlisted in the Twenty-first Regiment. He was homily enough to be a favorite. He developed a playful disposition. He chewed up all the lace curtains and household furniture be could find. He tore the dresses of all the women and the little girls and chewed the shoes of the men and the little boys. He did it all in such a happy, good natured fashion that he was always forgiven and nobody minded much, though it is on record that he was arrested one night by a Plattsburgh policeman and was locked up in a cell until the Lieutenant bailed him out. It is also on record that he has occupied the guard house at Plattsburgh several times, but always for minor offences. During the last summer he developed the habit of chasing bicycles This was great sport. He never chased any but those ridden by the folks connected with the post at Plattaburgh, and they enjoyed it as well

Lieut, Butts is a fine athlete. When the prop osition was made to have some of the regular army men take part in the National Guard tournament, which is to take place at Madison Square Garden in January, Lieut, Butts was detailed to Fort Columbus, which is the army name of Governor's Island, to assist in the preparation of the men. This was ten days ago, and, of course, Private Pete Butts was included in the detail. He was welcomed on the island as all dogs properly enlisted are. The trouble began shortly after his arrival. For the first day or two, of course, he was unfamiliar with the island, and he spent his time in investigating. After that he got acquainted with the officers and the men, particularly with the bicycle riders. Almost everybody on the island is a bicycle rider. They have a track there and everything else necessary for the full enjoymen of the wheel. Private Pete Butts was looked on as an additional enjoyment at first. Ther came his fall. Perhaps it would be more correcorded that Private Pete Butts fell. The fall-

rect to say then came the fall, for it is not recorded that Private Pete Butts fell. The falling was all done by a dignified officer of the ordnance department, one of the staff. Rumor says it was Major Phipps, but, as the Major is in Washington, that could not be verified yesterday. It was an ordnance officer, at all events. Private Pete Butts, in his playful way, got in front of the wheel, and the officer bit the dust quicker than he would have bitten it if he had been hit by the builet of the enemy.

The next day an official document from the ordnance department to Major Gen. Ruger, commanding the Department of the East, complained that "a certain ornery buil pup known as Pete was a vicious, biting cur and was dangerous to be at large." The ordnance department prayed that the said vicious, biting buil pup should be confined.

It is possible that the worst that would have happened to Private Pete Butts would have happened to Private Pete Butts would have heappened to Butts of the Complaint. The private had enjoyed the encounter with his superior of the ordnance department on two successive days. It was offensive to regular army discipline and dignity that any private should be permitted to attain such a record.

So the next day there came from the Medical Department to Major-Gen. Ruger, commanding the Department of the East, a rip sourter of a complaint. The exact language of this complaint is, of course, not made public, but in effect it was that the said buil pup was a "cheap, worthless, valueless, lo

forthwith that the sound of Major-Gen. Ruger.

Headquarters Department of the East, (Governows, Island, N. V. H., Dec. 15, 1596.)

Special order No. 199, 199.

The Chief Quartermaster's Department of the East is hereby ordered forthwith to remove from the United States reservation one built pup manuel and said to answer to the name of "Pete," described as the property of Lieut. E. I. Butu., Twenty-first in famity, U. S. A.

By command of Major-Gen. Ruger.

STEPHEN C. MILS.

Ith Infantry, Acting Assistant Adjuta Official Whether that is the correct reading or not, the order doomed Private Pete Butts, and he will be sent to rejoin his regiment, probably to-day. It is not likely that henceforth any private will dare to tamper with either the jordnance or

Prom the Chicago Times Hera'd.

"There was an odd fellow, a Pennsylvanian, on our floor in Litby prison," said Col. Richardson.
"He was tall, angular, stoop shouldered, and had the regular North Carolinadialect. Nearly everybody liked him and all talked withhim. He had been a prisoner some time; his suit of blue had become a bunch of rag. By some means he managed to get a new suit of butternut colored clothes, and after that we called him. Old North Carolina. One of the prisoners asked him when he was going to join bis 'Tar Heel' regiment.

"You jest wait and watch."
"In those days it was a common thing for cilizens to accompany Major Dick Turner, who had charge of Libby prison, on visits to the prisoners. One afternoon half a dozen cilizens of Richmond were with him, and when they marched out our 'Tar Heel' soldier fell in and went with them. He was standing by the door in Major Turner's room when that officer, noticing him asked, 'Well, iir, what do you want here?

"Oh, nothin' in particular; jest thought Pd look around the prison a little.

"Well, you can't look around the prison a little, and you had better move on."

"But Cupps—that was his name—stood there looking as innocent as a boy on his first visit to town, when Turner lost his patience, and said: 'Come, move on! Get out of here!' and gave him a push into the street.

"As Cupps passed out into the road where we could see him from our windows he took off his hat, made a low bow, and started on a gentle shamble out of town, if emade his escape. After

hat, made a low bow, and started on a gentle shamble out of town. He made his escape. After that there was a great demand for butternut suits, but no more could be smuggled into the

## Mended a Broken Backbone. From the Boston Result.

Physicians and medical students in Essex

Physicians and medical students in Essex county are greatly interested in the case of Charles Peachey of Marbiehead, Peachey, while gathering applies at Peach Point, Oct. 24, fell from a tree to the ground, a distance of fifteen feet. He was picked up and taken to his home, thence to the Salem Hospital, where it was found that his back was broken; also that the mid-dorsal vertebric had been fractured, and the eartilage connecting two vertebric torn from the bone.

The first thing done was to suspend Peachey by the head and unser purt of the body, so that the weight of the limbs and lower part of the body would drag the fractured spinal column straight and true. He was then placed in a plaster of paris mould, and kept in a straightence condition until Nov. 15, when it was found that the bones had properly knit.

Surgical satil, idded by nature, accomplished wonders, but what was feared from the first, that the spinal cord had been injured, was found to be a fact. The attending physicians then began the trial of electricity on the sense-less limbs. They are now hopeful of complete success in the case. Mr. Peachey is able to rest in a chair several hours a day. He is in good spirits, and believes that he will be discharged from the hospital a well man. Peachey is 35 years of age. He has a wife and two children.

### Senator Wilson's Bouble. From the Washington Post.

Some one advanced the idea that every may Some one advanced the idea that every man in the world has a displicate. Senator Whann of Washington will not have to go far to find his. Harry Whood, the Senator's brother, who is now in town, could walk into the Senate tomorrow and the doorkeeperwould not stop him. One day out in Spokane, where the two brothers live. Senator Wilson, who had just returned from his legislative duties here, was stopped on the street by a man who had known him for years. Flarry, "said the man, "when will your brother John be here?"

"In a day or two," said John, without a smile "Teil him I want to see him on an important matter."

matter."
"Certainly," said John.
"And you will not forget it?"
"I'll try not," promised John, and thus another office seeker was folled.

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DR. MULCAHET'S BROKEN WINDOW The Two Women Arrested When It Was

The two women who were arrested in Newark on Tuesday night because one of them, as was alleged, had broken a front window in Dr. D. D. Mulcahey's house, were discharged in the First Criminal Court in that city yesterday morning. Dr. Mulcahey did not appear against them, although he afterward was in court, and appeared to be much put out because he had arrived too

The elder of the two women gave her name as The elder of the two women gave her name as Mary Woods and the younger gave here as Mary A. Muicahey. The latter insisted that she was a daughter of Dr. Muicahey. She said she had gone to her father's house to get a locket and some clothes. She did not see her father, but she was so hadly treated, she said, by other persons at the house that she was driven to resent it. But even so, she did only a part of the damage that was done to the window. The rest was done, she said, by one of the persons at the house.

MARINE INTELLIGENCE.

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JAPANESE IN HAWAII, They Are Pouring in and Wish to Become

SAN DIEGO, Cal., Dec. 16.-Mr. Cooper, the Hawalian Minister of Foreign Affairs, who formerly lived in this city, is here. One of his most intimate friends yesterday said: "Mr. Cooper told me he came to the United States to urge annexation on account of fears the Ha-waiian Government has of Japan. The situation is just this: In Hawaii, according to Gen. Cooper, the Japanese far outnumber all other foreigners. The Americans are a handful in comparison. Hawaii has a treaty with Japan and cannot exclude the Japanese, who are pouring into the island steadily and pushing into every business. They are losing the hum-ble demeaner that characterizes their countrymen on this coast, and, through their great numbers and the prestige of the Japanese-Chinumers and the president in Capanese-Chi-perse war, are beginning to demand the elective franchise. If they force Hawaii to give them the right to vote, then American supremacy will be at an end forever. 1. Gen. Cooper informed me that he has placed the situation before influential men in the East and has so won upon their judgment that he believes great strides will be made during the next year toward annexation under the McKin-

believes great strides will be made during the next year toward annexation under the McKin-ley Administration."

Mr. Cooper said last night as to ex-Queen Liliucksiani: "I don't know what she is here for. She was pardoned the day before lieft Hambighi to come up here. She was a bother-some question. It was hard for us to decide exactly what to do. But the pardon was issued, and from that time any relations between her and the Government ceased to exist. She has nothing to do with our politic or external relations. The crown lands are now considered Government lands and with justice. They are subject to home-steading by native Hawalians on terms whereby they cannot be sold, mortgazed, or otherwise disposed of."

Business Motices.

Liebig Company's Extract of Beef. See that Baron Liebig's signature is on every jar in blue

# MARRIED.

JENNINGS-BREWSTER,-On Dec. 18, 1896 at St. Bartholomew's Church, by the Rev. Dr. David H. Greer, assisted by the Rev. Chauncey Brewster, Mary Pows Brewster, daughter of Ben Jamin Brewster, to Oliver Gould Jennings.

DIED.

EKSTEIN .- On Dec. 14, Charles F. Ekstein, aged 24 years and 22 days. Funeral on Inursday afternoon from 214 West PERGUSON .- On Monday, Dec. 14, 1806, George,

Pathips in rauson, son of John and Janet Fergu-son, in the 334 year of his age. Funeral on Timestay, the 17th, from the residence of James W. Mather, 467 West 147th st., at 11 A. M. LENNON, On Dec. 16, at his residence, 697 1st av., James Lannon, native of county bown, Ire-

ral at 1 P. M. on Friday, 15th inst. OSE 1.1.13 AN.—On Monday, Dec. 14, of meningitia, James P., beloved and of Mary E. and the inte-Jeremian Condition, in his 32d year. Funeral on Toursday, Dec. 17, at 10 A. M., from his interesidence, 217 East 12th at, thence to St. Ann's Church on East 12th at, near 31 ay, where a selemn requirem mass will be offered. Interment

. at convenience of family. HANKINE, - At Geneva, N. Y., on Wednesday, Her, James Rankine, D. D., LL. D., in

the 7000 year of his age. Notice of unural hereafter. REYNOLDS, Mrs. Lucy F. widow of James Rey

no ds, at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. Sarah Marshull, 63: Hast 14:st st, at 10 P. M. Tuesday, the 15:0 het, in her Sath year. Interment on Friday the 18:0. Funeral services at her interest lenge on Thursday at 6 P. M. Relatives and friends respectfully invited.

SEFFERT, on Weinesday, Dec. 16, 1896, Albert F. Seifert, the Secretary of the Lagor Feer Brew-ers' Board of Trade of New York and vicinity and of the Brewers' Exchange, in the 49th year of

Funera private, Interment in Macon, Ga. STONE. The funeral services of Mr. Audros B. Stone will be held at his late residence, 150 West 50th st., at 10 o'clock Friday morning

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